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RE: Family Resource Center Fair Haven School

To those concerned:

I am advocating for the continuation of the Family Resource Center. I am a 4^{th} grade teacher at Fair Haven School, I tutor afterschool 1^{st} graders. I also volunteer teaching parents Math in order for them to be able to help their children at home. The program offers many other important services to parents in need.

Research has shown the need for parent involvement in order to increase student academics. We expect parents to help at home but without the proper support most parents in our inner cities are unable to do so. There are sufficient stressors at home that our children contend with. The Family Resource Program alleviates some of them, enough to allow parents to be involved in the education of our students.

This program not only allows parent involvement in our schools but also allows all stakeholders to be involved. Special donations, volunteer service from college student, community resource and services are some of the ways are community is able to contribute to student growth through the Family Resource Program. These are some of the reasons I advocate for the Family Resource Program to continue in our schools.

In our program we work with the 7 Family Resource Center Components:

Home visits Parent- Child Interaction

Group Connection Development Centered Parenting

Screening Family-Well Being

Resource Net Work

Sincerely,

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